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## OFF FOR WORCESTER.

**F**RIDAY and Saturday are the dates of the New England Intercollegiate Meet. Our track team will leave the Oxford Hotel at 11.30 to-morrow and take the train at Trinity Station at 12 noon for Worcester. Every one should turn out and give the team an enthusiastic send-off.

The low rates will give most of us an opportunity to see the meet on Saturday, and a large crowd from Tech is expected to go. This is the last meet of the year and affords an admirable chance to show our loyalty to the excellent team that represents us at Worcester.

## A TECH FLAG FOR THE TRACK TEAM.

**T**HE members of the Class of 1906 have shown their enthusiasm for the track team and their appreciation of their good work, by the purchase of a large silk Tech flag, which will be presented this afternoon. This is certainly a move in the right direction, because our team has felt the need of just such a flag to be conspicuously carried wherever they go, to show people that they represent Technology. This need was especially evident at the Dual Meet with Dartmouth, where there was not one Tech flag among the small coterie that rooted for Tech.

The Class of 1906 is to be commended for this evidence of their enthusiasm and appreciation of the work of our track team.

## TECH SHOW FOR NEXT YEAR.

**T**HE success of this year's Tech Show, both from a financial as well as artistic standpoint, has demonstrated that Tech men can write, manage, and produce a show which is on a par with any other amateur production. This reputation should be sustained in the future, and it can only be accomplished by the same elements making this year's Show a success, namely, good Tech spirit and enthusiasm. But it is necessary that the men who have the ability should write librettos, music of all kinds, and material for future productions. This will insure starting points for the others. The material does not necessarily have to deal with local things—preferably not. All manuscript and music should be submitted to Tech Show Management, and it will receive careful consideration.

### The Senior Portfolio.

To-morrow, Friday, at one o'clock, the edition of the 1903 Senior Portfolio will be distributed in Roger's Corridor. As is customary, the Portfolio contains the picture of every man in the graduating class, as well as a short account of his special interests while at the Institute. To increase its value as a handy book of reference and catalogue of the names and achievements of the members of the Class, the Portfolio has this year been carefully indexed.

The pictures in the book have been reproduced as in former years by the Albotype Process, the only process suitable for this kind of work. In the front part of the Portfolio are pictures of President Pritchett, ex-President Crafts, and other officers of the Institute, including the heads of the thirteen different courses. The main body of the volume is devoted to the reproductions of the members of the Class, following which are some familiar scenes around the "Stute," the Rogers and Walker Buildings, the fence lined with the outpour of the Lunch Room, the piano corner of the "Union," and other spots, soon to be but pleasant memories in the minds of the Seniors.

Following the lead of last year's committee, the book has again been bound in a soft and flexible leather; a tasteful shade of olive green has been chosen, and this is backed by a very striking marbled paper. The cover design is both simple and attractive, and is burned into the leather with pleasing effect. The cover and title page were both designed by Garber and Woodward, the fifth year architects, who won the prizes offered by the committee for the best designs.

For the Seniors, the book will certainly be a pleasant reminder of the good old times at Tech, as well as an easy starting point for those delightful reminiscences sure to take place when in future years two old "naughty-three" men get together.

### Technique Electoral Committee.

The meeting of the Electoral Committee held on May 13 was uneventful and, aside from the nomination of assistant business managers, the only act of importance was the election of a committee to start the art competition. The committee is without real power, but is merely to interest the students in this important department of *Technique*. Its members are W. Green, chairman, G. B. Jones and G. B. Perkins.

At the seventh meeting, held on Monday, the Sub-committee asked for and obtained power to make some arrangement by which artists of other classes who might contribute work to *Technique*, '05, would receive official recognition in the book. The details of the plans of the committee will be made public shortly. J. McC. Lambie was elected to the society editorship and men were nominated for the position of athletic editor. These men were discussed but were not to be voted on until the following meeting.

The Thursday meeting resulted in greater progress. Norman Lombard was finally chosen as the fourth assistant editor and Waldso Turner, W. D. B. Motter, Jr., and C. W. Johnston were elected to the business staff, the manager to be chosen from these three by the board when it assembles. Nominations for the position of society editor were made and the men discussed.

### Class Day Statistics.

Statistics blanks will be received until Wednesday, May 27, instead of Wednesday, May 20, as previously stated. Quite a number of blanks have not yet been returned. Seniors are urged to fill out the blanks and return them at their earliest convenience. Any Senior who is either a candidate for graduation, a special, a five year man, or who has been assessed for Class Day, and has not received a statistics blank, please leave his name at the "cage" for Statistician, '03.



### Worcester Meet.

The seventeenth annual track and field games of the New England Intercollegiate Association are to be held at Worcester on Friday and Saturday, May 22 and 23. A special rate of \$1.25 from Boston to Worcester and return for these two days has been made and our fellows should make the most of it. The other colleges to be represented are Dartmouth, Brown, Williams, Wesleyan, Bowdoin, Trinity, Tufts, Universities of Maine and Vermont. Trials in all events except the mile and two-mile runs will be held on Friday, May 22, starting at 3 P.M. The semi-finals and finals in all events will be held on the following day, Saturday, May 23, starting at 2.15 P.M., promptly, and finishing at 5 P.M., in order to give patrons of the games ample time to reach the lake for the High School-Harvard Freshman boat race at 5.45. The admission has been reduced to twenty-five cents.

This year every college is allowed to enter six men for each event, only four of whom are to compete. Previously the entries have been limited to four, and the competitors to three for each event. The change in the distribution of points to include fourth place is also introduced this year. Medals will only be awarded to the winners of the first three places, but Tech men winning fourth place will be entitled to wear the track T.

Although the track team this year is the best one Tech has ever turned out, and although they gave such excellent account of themselves at Hanover, too much must not be expected. The field is large, and several of the colleges have strong teams. Still the men are going into the meet with the determination to strive for every point. They have trained conscientiously; are in good condition, and will certainly pull a place among the leaders. Every man who can go to Worcester Saturday should do so. Cheer-

ing helps — helps more than one would suppose, so let every one who can possibly be there do his share. The team will surely do theirs.

### Mechanical Engineering Society.

The Mechanical Engineering Society held its last meeting of the school year at the Union Thursday evening, May 14, as a thesis meeting. Preceding the thesis reports, Mr. J. T. Cheney reported for the Shingle Committee that the plates for the design would cost about \$20, and recommended that the shingle be on gray leather, instead of tan, and his recommendation was adopted. The first thesis, by Mr. D. D. Mohler, X., on the "Pressure-Volume Relations of  $\text{SO}_2$ " was presented in a very interesting manner. Mr. J. J. McKenna followed with a brief description of a test on a De Laval turbine, in which he found that its efficiency was fully equal to expectations. After the reading of several other theses, Professor Lanza commented briefly on the scope and character of thesis work, suggesting several subjects of interest at present which were especially suitable for thesis investigation. Mr. Hiller presented Mr. Ancona, the ex-president of the Society, with a gavel, in appreciation of his untiring interest and efforts as president of the Society during the past year. The evening was a very pleasant one and ended in the usual way with refreshments, music and a social chat.

### Electrical Engineering Society.

The Electrical Engineering Society held a short business meeting at 1 P.M. yesterday, May 20, at which the following officers were elected for next year: Pres., B. H. Clingerman, Vice-Pres., J. C. Nyce, and Secy. and Treas., R. Palmer.

### Graduate Student Dinner.

At the Tech Union, on Saturday evening, the graduate students of the Institute came together for the first time, socially, with Dr. Pritchett as their host, and the heads of the various departments as guests of honor. The dinner was an informal one and was followed by short addresses. Dr. Pritchett remarked upon the nature of the gathering, which was representative of almost all the great universities of the country, and read a most interesting and pertinent paragraph from the will of George Washington, exposing his plans for a national university at Washington, of which one of the vital functions should be, as he estimated it, the breaking down of territorial prejudices and the strengthening of national sympathies. Had Washington's ideas been realized — had Sumner, Clay, Calhoun, Webster, studied together in the same halls and debated as young men the question of slavery, the history of the country might have been written far differently. Dr. Pritchett then suggested the many advantages which would result from a closer interest and friendship among the graduate students at Tech, and expressed his hope that a Dining Club might be formed with this end in view.

Dr. Pritchett's speech was followed by a novel and almost startling ceremony. A large loving cup was passed from hand to hand, and as each professor or student received it he announced his full name, his former college, and his present address, and offered a toast to the Institute. There was much cheering during this proceeding, Professor Chandler's toast, especially, receiving the most enthusiastic and hearty applause.

Then followed a number of brief addresses by representatives of the different colleges: Eustis of Harvard, MacBride of the Naval Academy, etc., Snow of Yale particularly distinguishing himself by his subtle humor. Professor Cross gave a bright and genial response to the call for a speech in behalf of the

M. I. T. graduates, and called attention to the program of the Graduate School of Engineering Research for 1903-4, a printed copy of which had been placed at each plate. The company then adjourned, feeling not only that they had enjoyed a most pleasant evening, but that this step of Dr. Pritchett's promised for the future much closer relations and firmer sympathies among the graduate students.

### Baseball. Sophomores v. Freshmen.

SECOND GAME: 1906-12. 1905-11.

The Freshman baseball nine defeated the Sophomore nine by the above score at the circus grounds on Saturday last. The game was played loosely by both sides and showed up a considerable lack of team work. The Freshmen had the lead by four runs at the end of the third inning by their timely hitting, aided by several errors. At the end of the eighth the Sophomores lacked but one of tying the score, owing to good stick work, making the chances for success almost equal in the ninth, when the Freshmen did not score and the Sophomores were last to bat. After two outs were made, Gregson was given a base on balls, stole second, but was put out in his attempt to reach third by a very neat throw by Burr to Streeter, making three outs and the Freshmen the winners.

The feature of the game, in spite of the umpire's efforts, was the hitting. Winne started it in the first inning by a long drive to the right of center-field which brought him home. Burr punched out a two-bagger in the second, while Dean for the Sophomores followed Winne's example with a long drive over center-fielder's head. Haley was credited with a three-bagger in the sixth, while Bartlett and Wells scored two-base hits in the eighth.

While there was a considerable lack of team play in the field, the work of both teams

at the stick was satisfactory, and an exciting as well as interesting game may be looked for to decide the winners this year.

1905.	AB.	Runs.	Hits.	P. O.	A.	E.
Dean, Capt. ss.	5	2	1	3	1	1
Hill, 1b.	5	1	0	8	0	2
Wells, c.	5	0	2	9	2	1
Smith, l. f.	2	2	0	1	0	1
Steinberger, 2b.	5	0	0	3	4	1
Forsyth, c. f.	3	0	0	0	0	0
Gregson, 3b.	5	2	1	1	1	2
Hinkley, r. f.	1	0	1	0	0	0
Lalley, p.	4	0	0	1	2	2
Wilcox, l. f.	3	1	1	1	0	1
Gardner, c. f.	2	1	0	0	0	0
Fick, r. f.	2	1	1	0	0	0
Bartlett, r. f.	2	1	1	0	0	0
	44	11	8	27	10	11

1906.	AB.	Runs.	Hits.	P. O.	A.	E.
Redding, c. f. 2b.	4	2	1	0	0	2
Winne, Capt. 2b. p.	5	2	2	2	1	0
Haley, r. f.	5	1	2	0	1	0
Lampie, l. f.	5	1	1	1	0	2
Streeter, 3b.	5	2	1	5	0	2
Kennedy, 1b.	5	3	2	5	1	2
Burr, c.	5	0	2	12	2	1
Carr, ss.	4	0	0	1	0	1
Wyman, p.	4	1	1	1	2	0
Cutter, l. f.	0	0	0	0	0	0
Honeyman, ss.	1	0	0	0	0	0
Walter, r. f.	0	0	0	0	0	0
	44	12	12	27	7	10

Earned runs, 1906, 4; 1905, 5; home runs, Winne, Dean; three-base hit, Haley; two-base hits, Wells, Bartlett, Burr; bases on balls by Wyman, 1; by Winne, 2; struck out by Lalley, 5; by Wyman, 8; by Winne, 1; passed balls, Burr, 1; wild pitch, Lalley, 1. Umpire, Whittier; time of game, 1h. 50 m.

Batteries. 1905. Lalley, Wells.  
1906. Wyman, Winne, Burr.

Summary by innings:

Runs	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
1906	1	1	6	0	0	1	2	1	0-12
1905	2	0	2	0	1	2	0	4	0-11

FINAL GAME. 1906-10. 1905-9.

By defeating the Sophomores on the Boston College Grounds, Tuesday, the Freshmen won the championship. The Freshmen are to be congratulated on their successful ending, for at the beginning of the season the Sophomore's team was decidedly the better. After winning the first game of the series a fatal attack of over-confidence apparently struck 1905, for in neither of the other games did they approach their previous form. The Freshmen have developed slowly, and Tuesday played by far their best game. The

Freshmen went right after the game from the start, and not finding Lalley a mystery, scored six in the first two innings. Smith, who succeeded Lalley, was a trifle more effective, but by no means a puzzle. Wyman, the Freshman pill-paster, was very effective, but to avoid danger Winne replaced him in the seventh. Winne had speed to burn and put them over, so that they looked like peanuts to the batter.

Dissel played a great game at third and at the bat and Dean also played well. Lampie gave the 1905 leather chasers lots of exercise and fielded well. Burr put up a fine game behind the bat and Kennedy covered the primary hassock most satisfactorily.

1906	AB	H	PO	A	E	1905	AB	H	PO	A	E
Reddings, ss.	4	1	2	1	1	Dissel, 3b.	4	3	3	1	0
Winne, 2b. & p.	4	2	2	8	2	Dean, 1b. & ss.	4	1	3	0	1
Lampie, c. f.	4	3	2	0	0	Gregson, ss.	1	0	0	1	0
Haley, l. f.	5	2	0	0	0	Hill, 1b.	4	0	6	1	1
Burr, c.	5	2	8	0	1	Smith, l. f. & p.	3	1	2	5	0
Streeter, 3b.	4	0	0	2	1	Steinberger, 2b.	4	1	4	1	1
Kennedy, 1b.	5	1	12	0	0	Bartlett, c. f., l. f.	5	1	2	0	2
Cutter, r. f.	5	1	1	0	0	Wilcox, r. f., c. f.	5	0	0	0	0
Wyman, p.	4	0	0	2	0	Burns, c.	5	1	4	3	0
Carr, 2b.	0	0	0	2	0	Lalley, p., r. f.	4	0	0	0	1
	40	12	27	15	5		39	9	24	12	6

Innings	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
1906	3	3	0	0	1	3	0	0	-10
1905	0	0	1	0	3	2	0	0	3-9

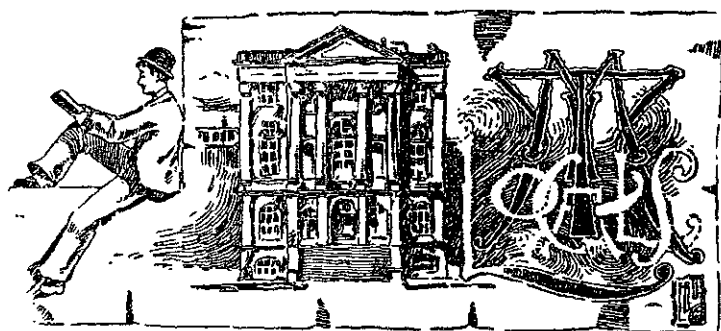
Two-base hits: Dissel, Lampie; three-base hit, Lampie. Bases on balls: off Wyman 4, off Winne 1, off Smith 4. Struck out by Wyman 1, by Winne 3, by Lalley, 1, by Smith 3. Passed balls, Burr, Burns. Wild pitch, Winne. Time of game, 1 hour 35 minutes.

## NOTICE.

The next and last number of THE TECH, Volume XXII., will be published Graduation Day, Tuesday, June 9. It will be a special issue, containing an account of the graduation exercises, a full report of the Worcester meet, a general review of athletics for the year, and an index for the volume. Those desiring copies will leave at the "Cage" their name, address, and cash or ticket in envelopes which may be obtained there.

## Songbook Out June 8.

Arrangements have been made with the printers of the new Tech Songbook whereby this work will be given precedence over all their other jobs, with the result that the date of publication of the Songbook will be Monday, June 8, Class Day.



Company C dinner will be Saturday, May 23, at 6.30. Tickets must be obtained by one o'clock, Friday, from E. F. Searle.

Those Cadets who did not call for their commissions and warrants last Saturday, will have to apply to Mr. Powers, office of Recorder.

By calling at 16 Rogers, men about to graduate may receive any papers written by them and now in the hands of the English Department.

The M. I. T. record for the pole vault is not that of 10 ft. 6½ in. made by G. A. Curtis in the Dartmouth Dual, for in last year's Triangular Meet he vaulted 10 ft. 8¼ in.

Men intending to write a Tech Show for next year will greatly oblige the management by leaving a note at the "Cage," Box 82, stating the fact and also their present and summer addresses.

The government inspection of the Freshman Battalion and their last drill took place Wednesday, May 13. Capt. Jas. A. Shipton, U. S. A., was the inspecting officer. After the drill the entire class adjourned to the front of Rogers, where the annual ceremony of burning the white gloves was indulged in. After being bombarded with calcium by some Sophomores in the doorway, the Freshmen indulged in a war dance and charged on the Sophs. A lively struggle followed, in which two or three Sophomores were quite roughly treated.

### Changes in Examination Schedule.

The following changes have been made in the Schedule of Examinations since the last issue of THE TECH :

#### MONDAY, MAY 25.

Year.	Subject.	Examiner.	Hour.
4	Org. Prep. & Reactions*	Norris	2 P.M.

#### TUESDAY, MAY 26.

4	Naval Architecture	Peabody	9 A.M.
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#### WEDNESDAY, MAY 27.

4	Theoretical Biology	Bigelow	9 A.M.
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#### THURSDAY, MAY 28.

4	Theory of Warship Des.	Hovgaard	9 A.M.
3	Theory of Warship Des.	Hovgaard	9 A.M.

#### WEDNESDAY, JUNE 3.

4	Structures	Swain	9 A.M.
2	Mineralogy	Warren	2 P.M.

#### THURSDAY, JUNE 4.

3	Diff. Equations*	Osborne	9 A.M.
3	Dig. Equa. (brief)*	Bartlett	9 A.M.

#### FRIDAY, JUNE 5.

3	Arch. History	Homer	9 A.M.
2	Arch. History	Homer	2 P.M.

### CALENDAR.

#### FRIDAY, MAY 22.

- 1 P.M. SENIOR PORTFOLIO out in Rogers Corridor.
- 3 P.M. TRIAL EVENTS in the N. E. I. A. A. Meet at Worcester Oval. Special railroad rates. \$1.25 Boston to Worcester and return; this is good for both days. Admission to games, 25 cents. Tickets at Wright and Ditson's.
- 8 P.M. WALKER CLUB DINNER at Tech Union.
- 8 P.M. SOCIETY OF ARTS MEETING in 22 Walker. Mr. Howard W. Du Bois will address the Society on "A Reconnaissance for the Platinum Metals in the Rockies of British Columbia." A large number of lantern slides will be shown.

#### SATURDAY, MAY 23.

- LAST EXERCISES FOR SENIORS AND JUNIORS.
- 2.15 P.M. SEMI-FINALS AND FINALS in the N.E.I.A.A. Meet at Worcester Oval. See the notice for Friday.
- 7 P.M. COMPANY C DINNER at Tech Union.

#### WEDNESDAY, MAY 27.

LAST EXERCISES FOR SOPHOMORES.

#### FRIDAY, MAY 29.

LAST EXERCISES FOR FRESHMEN.





In reviewing the dramatic season, the theatregoer recalls chiefly the impression, that on the modern stage the acting is likely to be several grades better than the play. In the history of English drama the time of the greatest acting has been a time even of the worst playwriting. And though the present would impress one as a time only of good, not of great acting, the plays of the year seem almost uniformly inferior to the players. Recent mention has been made, for example, of Mr. Sothern. Similarly, Mr. Bellew and Miss Crosman and Clara Bloodgood show capacity too high for extravagant romantic melodrama or Clyde Fitch shows.

The romantic melodrama seems to have had most of the field this year, running through time, from French kings, Louis XI. or Henry of Navarre, down to our Civil War, or even to modern American soldiers of fortune. Such plays, fortunately, even when well acted, are hard to remember over-night, and need only momentary appreciation.

In plays that, though insubstantial as dramas, are yet vivid and memorable as character sketches, two American actors have made and ought long to enjoy popularity and praise. Mr. Jefferson has done, perhaps, as much as Washington Irving himself to make a national and perpetually charming figure of Rip Van Winkle. Without the local value of Rip, but equally delightful, are the two other droll portraits he again showed us on the winter's stage,—Bob Acres and Caleb Plummer. I am inclined to couple with Rip Van Winkle—fully realizing the extent of such praise—Mr. Crane's David Harum, which we ought never to allow him permanently to withdraw.

It has been the fortune of the more vigorous contemporary plays to be astonishingly well acted. Of these, Mr. Jones' "Middleman" and especially "The Rogue's Comedy," given by Mr. Willard, and Mr. Pinero's "Mrs. Tanqueray," given by Mrs. Campbell, were most acceptable. D'Annuzio's mawkish rhapsodies deserved no such power as Madam Duse's. Mr. Pinero's last play, "Iris," thoroughly well done by every player in the company, was too loathsome

for the sincerest pleasure. And too painfully grim was Mrs. Campbell's fine performance of Sudermann's "Joy of Living." I should, on the whole, call the finest piece of acting of the year, both in the title rôle and in the support, Miss Mary Shaw's performance of that slimiest and most hideous of modern plays, Ibsen's "Ghosts."

We have to be thankful for Mr. Sothern's fine acting of "Hamlet," and for Mr. Mansfield's brilliant presentation of "Julius Cæsar."

—THEATREGOER.

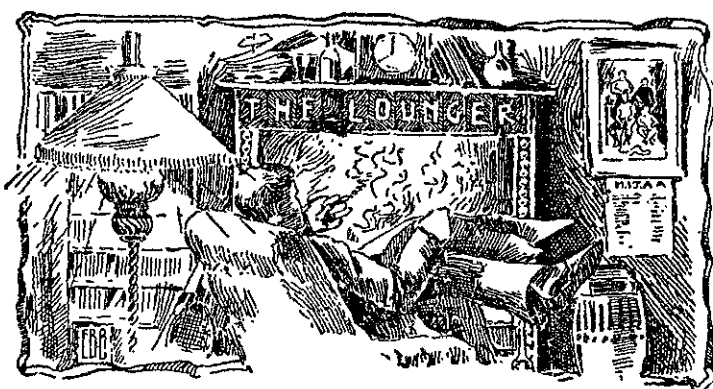
### Chemical Society.

The last meeting of the Chemical Society this year was held at the Union Friday evening, May 15, for the election of officers for the following year. A. D. Smith, '04, was chosen president; A. W. Burnham, '04, vice-president; W. H. Keen, '05, secretary; F. W. Farrell, '04, treasurer; and W. W. Duncan, '04, member of the Executive Committee. After the election of officers W. C. Martin reviewed the visit of the Summer School to the Murphy Varnish Works of Newark, N. J. In the thesis work M. H. Clark spoke on the "Functions of Diaphragms in the Electrolysis of Brine."

H. B. Pulsifer spoke on the "Effect of Temperature upon Catalytic Agents," and G. R. Spaulding reviewed the great advances made in Bacteriology by Pasteur. Mr. Samuel Cabot of the Corporation and Dr. Walker of the Faculty were the guests of the evening.

### Civil Engineering Summer School.

Twenty-two men have thus far signified their intention of attending the Civil Engineering Summer School this year. The work will be at and in the vicinity of East Machias, Me. The instructing staff will consist of Professors Burton and Robbins, and Messrs. Sweet, Hosmer, Hanna, and H. S. Morse. About half of the party are Sophomores, as this year, second year men attending Summer School will be excused from third year surveying field work.



It happened this way. THE LOUNGER went to church last Sunday, and being of a generous nature and anxious to contribute to the collection, he felt in his pocket for the necessary "long green," "spondulix," "wherewithal," "milled comforters," "ready bits," or "Rand's Delight," as it is variously called in different dialects. He found there nothing but a brass M. I. T. check, on which was checked a copy of "American Machine Tools," or "Peter Schwamb's Revenge for Having Sold His Mechanism Notes at a Reasonable Price." Without a moment's hesitation he dropped the brass check in the plate and thereupon felt so small that he was enabled to crawl through a chink in the wall on Tuesday and take notes of the Faculty meeting going on in there. As THE LOUNGER entered, he heard the voice of Professor Allen saying:

"I don't approve of it. To give up the exams in the last term of the last year is to omit the *café noir* of Course I. And, besides, you would be taking away my last whack at the fellows. Spare the rod and spoil the child. In the same way, spare the exam and spoil the student."

"While exams," said Harry Clifford, smiling suavely, "are a good thing, I do not think they are, as the little boy said, 'the entire cheese.' Oftentimes teachers use them rather as a sword to suspend over the head of the student Damocles, than as an erudimeter to measure the efficiency of the student as a thinking machine. Exams will never be a perfect success until we can get all the teachers in an institution to rate them of uniform importance. One teacher will give a student F through the term and then pass him at the end because he has passed a good exam. On the other hand, I know of a fellow who did good work during the term with a certain teacher and passed also, although he had written nothing but the Lord's Prayer in his examination book. I do not think that the book knowledge which even the best student will carry away with him will weigh at all heavily upon his mind. What we want to consider is whether the graduate will be a credit to the institute."

"Speaking of examinations," said Professor Faunce, "there are many imitations but no perfect substitutes. To give an illustration: During a vacation students

are not supposed to study. But I have a little scheme of my own. I give an examination immediately after they come back, and so, instead of using all the vacation time for foolish amusements, my pupils have a plug. Drawing is a funny thing, anyway, and I would like to know Professor Park's views on the subject."

"I agree with Professor Faunce," said Charles Smiley Park, rising. "Drawing is a funny thing. It doesn't require any examinations from my students in drawing, because I can give them a ten-hour drawing which will hold them for a couple of months."

"Did you ever know any student to do your drawing in the required time?" asked Professor Clifford.

"No, I never did," replied Professor Park, "but I think it is possible, because the other day I tried one of the drawings myself and worked only a little over time on it."

"Gentlemen," said Gaetano Lanza, "I have been thinking over what Professor Clifford said a little while ago. I don't know what that reference to the Dam-Damocles is, but I ain't going to agree with him. What we are trying to do here is to turn out good engineers. We ain't Princeton; we ain't Columbia; we ain't Harvard. I claim, gentlemen, that a man ain't any good unless he can figure out the stress in a beam by my method on page 174. No, Professor Clifford takes altogether too wide a view of matters. He ain't even read my book and —"

"Gentlemen," said Professor Clifford, with his delicate satire, "I claim that Professor Lanza did not write that book because there ain't no 'ain'ts' in it."

At this point Professor Peabody arose. "I may be old-fashioned," said he, "but I think this school is getting to be too new-fangled. I think they are trying to work the social-life gag too much. The other day I actually met a student who could not deduce the analytical discussion of the Stephenson link. That man will surely be a failure in life. I have a formula and can prove it by my theory of smoke, by which you can compute how much smoke comes out of a chimney per pound of coal burned. It is not a good formula, but we use it because we have no worse. I can't understand how any one can think differently from me, because I never have any trouble in agreeing with myself, so why should others?"

"Er — er — er," said Professor Dewey, by way of introduction. "It is an awful bore for me to speak — er — but I suppose I have to — er — so I will. I flunked a student once because he had blots all over his exam paper. It was slipshod to have blots — er — on the paper. As — er — Shakespeare — er — said, 'to err is human,' but students should make an effort to have their papers free from blots. Now — er —"

"I move we adjourn," said Professor Dippold.

"All those in favor signify in the usual manner," said the chairman.

And the usual manner was a dash for the door.